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Docket No.: 42390P9270

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re the Application of:

BAOSHENG YUAN, ET AL.

Application No.: 10/019,883

Filed: De

December 27, 2001

For:

METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR GENERATING AND SEARCHING AN OPTIMAL MAXIMUM LIKELIHOOD DECISION TREE FOR HIDDEN MARKOV MODEL (HMM) BASED SPEECH Art Group: Unassigned

Examiner: Not yet Assigned

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F. R. § 1.136(a), Applicants for the above-identified application respectfully Petition the Commissioner for a four (4) month extension of time, extending the period for response to October 10, 2006, from the Notice of Missing Parts in the United States Designated/Elected Office dated April 10, 2006. The petition filing fee of \$1,590.00 and Response to Notice of Missing Parts in the United States Designated/Elected Office are attached. (If a check is not attached, you are hereby authorized to charge deposit account no. 02-2666.)

If it should be determined that a longer extension of time is required to prevent this application from being abandoned, please charge any additional fees to Deposit Account No. 02-2666. A copy of the Fee Transmittal is enclosed for deposit account charging purposes.

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